

WEEKLY FASHION HINTS.

A Dainty Theater Bodice
Of Liberty Silk Over Taffeta.

With the signals of approaching warm weather our heavy and much trimmed satin and pean de sole waists are found too uncomfortable and we long for lighter garments to wear to the theater.



A very dainty waist is of pale blue liberty silk over taffeta of the same shade and is trimmed with ribbon-run beading. It has something of a bolero effect, as the lower part consists of plaited chiffon which blouses slightly over the belt. An attractive jabot completes the garniture. The stitching is all done with Corticelli silk. When finished this makes a very attractive waist.

SOUTHERN RAILWAY.

Christian Workers' Assembly and Bible Conference; Montreat, N. C., July 20th, August 3, and August 10-24, 1902.

For the occasion of Christian Workers' Assembly Montreat, N. C., July 20, August 3, and August 10-24, 1902, Southern Railway will sell tickets from July 17th to 22nd inclusive, final limit August 6th, 1902 at rate of one fare for the round trip from points within the State of North Carolina to Black Mountain, N. C. and return. From other points tickets will be sold at rate of one third fare for the round trip.

For Bible Conference tickets will be sold August 7th to 12th, inclusive, final limit August 27th 1902 to Black Mountain, N. C. and return at one fare for the round trip from points within the State of North Carolina and at rate of one and one third fare for the round trip from any points on the Southern railway.

For further information call on any ticket Agent Southern railway.

Negro Young People's Christian and Education Congress; Atlanta, Ga., August 6-11, 1902.

For the occasion of Negro Young people's Christian and Educational Congress; Atlanta, Ga., August 6-11, Southern Railway will sell tickets to Atlanta and return August 4th and 5th at rate of one fare for the round trip, plus 50 cents, from points within a radius of three hundred miles of Atlanta; also on August 2nd, 4th and 5th from points beyond a radius of three hundred miles. Final limit for return of all tickets fifteen days from date of sale.

For further information call on any ticket Agent Southern Railway.

Florists and Ornamental Horticulturists, Asheville, N. C., August 19-23, 1902.

For the occasion of Society of American Florists and Ornamental Horticulturists, Asheville, N. C., August 19th to 23rd, 1902, Southern Railway will sell tickets to Asheville, N. C., and return, August 17, 18 and 19th at one rate for the round trip, final limit for return of all tickets August 25th, 1902.

For further information call on any ticket Agent, Southern Railway.

National Baptist Convention (colored), Birmingham, Ala., September 17-24 1902.

For the occasion of National Baptist Convention (colored), Birmingham, Ala., September 17, to 24th, 1902 Southern Railway will sell tickets at one fare for the round trip, to Birmingham and return, September 14, 15 and 16th; all tickets limited for return until September 27th, 1902.

For further information call on any ticket Agent, Southern Railway.

NOTICE TO COLORED TEACHERS.

There will be a normal school conducted at Okolona, commencing July 21st 1902 and to continue one month for the benefit of the colored teachers of the state.

You are earnestly requested to attend and to bring all text books with you.

Come with a full determination to do the best month's work of your life. Reduced rates will be given by all the railroads on the certificate plan. All persons coming to the normal should get a certificate where they purchase their ticket.

J. S. GOODWIN, Director.

SWAPPING LIES

Is practiced, but don't swap off Hunt's Lightning Oil for a worthless article. Ask your druggist or merchant for a free sample bottle. Hall & Lyle.

One man's fad is another man's torture.

Probably a necessary evil is a blessing in disguise.

The last weather report will be the crack of doom.

BLACK SNAKE SAUSAGE.

The Peculiar Trick Played Upon a Big Cobra for Its Health's Sake.

The reptile house in the Zoological park at New York is an interesting subject for a few hours' inspection to the average person, but doubly interesting is half an hour's chat with its keeper, Mr. Ditmars, says a Tribune reporter. Perhaps nobody in the city can equal him as an authority on reptiles, especially snakes; certainly nobody has had his practical experience in raising them and observing their habits.

"It is rather a strange fact," he said, "that the average duration of a snake's life is in a ratio to his size. A garter snake dies from old age when seven or eight years old, while a python or boa constrictor is still spry at 30 or 40. Breeding snakes in captivity has been accomplished with much success. Some of the smaller species in the park are in their third and fourth generation.

"But the greatest difficulty we have to contend with is feeding those specimens newly installed after capture from their natural state. Some are so stubborn as to refuse food until they starve to death, but we have found a remedy for them. This was first tried on Carolina, the 25-foot python. She had positively refused to be tempted by the most delicate morsels. So six rabbits were killed and sewed together with absorbent catgut. A dozen men held the python, her mouth was pried open with a stick, the six rabbits were inserted and then rammed down with a pole. A soft leather collar was then placed about her snakeship's neck to prevent her disgorging the meal. Carolina is now the star of the reptile house, and needs no more such forcible invitations to take food.

"The big cobra also gave us some trouble, but we cured her in an entirely different way. She would eat nothing but small blacksnakes—nothing else would do. For awhile we humored her, but one day we took a dried skin shed by a blacksnake and jammed it full of meat, as though it were a sausage. The cobra swallowed it, never knowing the difference, and so we solved the difficulty permanently.

"But all the reptiles do not fast. The huge lizard known as the Ceylonese monitor swallows a dozen hen's eggs whole without a pause. The eggs may be heard clinking in his stomach some time after he has swallowed them.

"The five large alligators in the west tank of the house can dispose of 70 pounds of meat in a meal. They are fed on chickens, pigeons, rabbits, beef and fish, thrown into their wide open maws, whole and covered with hair or feathers. All goes down without mastication.

"The great Galapagos tortoise that arrived last summer are not far behind the alligators. Since they have been here they have consumed over 3,000 pounds of green food, in the shape of lettuce, cabbage, squash, pumpkins and melons. The largest of them, with the suggestive name of Buster, weighs 310 pounds. In the summer he could eat two huge watermelons at a meal, leaving nothing but the seeds. Sometimes these creatures try to make us believe that they are fighters. They butt at each other, snort and snap most ferociously, and sometimes squeal like pigs. They are also able to startle the bystanders with a sound resembling a bugle call, and seem to wink at each other when they frighten small children."

PUT HER FOOT IN IT.

Remark of a Smart Would-Be Young-Looking Lady That She Regretted.

We have all met people whose pride in their own possessions is so great that they can see no charms in those of others.

A young botanist was showing a party of ladies and gentlemen through a conservatory, and explaining to them the properties of some of the choicest plants.

Among the visitors, says the London Tit-Bits, was a would-be young-looking, middle-aged lady who, at every description, volunteered the statement that the plants and flowers she had at home were quite equal to anything exhibited here, or indeed, anywhere. Just as they were passing a giant cactus she was heard to exclaim:

"Well this is nothing extraordinary. I have a cactus at home that is still larger. I planted and reared it myself."

"Reared it yourself?" the professor gently observed. "How remarkable! This specimen is 63 years old, and if yours is still larger—"

The lady did not stay to hear any more, but executed a strategic movement to the rear.

To Aim Straight Is Human.

Anthropologists have remarked that taking aim is a human characteristic which even the anthropoid apes cannot be said to share. Apes and monkeys frequently throw nuts and sticks, sometimes with unpleasant consequences to others, but they show little or no ability to take accurate aim. The baboon is said to excel somewhat in this regard, but still he would never pass for a marksmen. The accuracy of eye and the judgment of direction and distance which are involved in real aiming have only been developed by man, and are among the tokens of his intellectual superiority.

—Youth's Companion.

More Than Inspiring.

"Will you love me when I am old?" whispered the poetic girl.

"Didn't I tell you that I loved you now?" he responded, teasingly, and she didn't speak to him again for a whole week.—Chicago Daily News.

Cures Blood Poison, Cancer, Ulcers, Eczema, Carbuncles Etc. Medicine Free

If you have offensive pimples or eruptions, ulcers on any part of the body, itching bones or joints, falling hair, mucous patches, swollen glands, skin itches or burns, sore lips or gums, eating, festering sores, sharp, gnawing pains, then you suffer from serious blood poison or the beginning of deadly cancer. You may be permanently cured by taking Botanic Blood Balm (B. B. B.), made especially to cure the worst blood and skin diseases. It kills the poison in the blood thereby giving a healthy blood supply to the affected parts, heals every sore and ulcer, even deadly cancer, stops all swellings. Botanic Blood Balm cures all malignant blood troubles, such as eczema, scabs, scales, pimples, running sores, carbuncles, scrofula, etc. Especially advised for all obstinate cases that have reached the second or third stages. Druggists, \$1. To prove it cures, samples of Blood Balm sent free and prepared by writing Blood Balm Co., Atlanta, Ga. Describe trouble and free medical advice sent in sealed letter. Sold by Hall & Lyle.

Secretary of State Power has prepared for the printer the three amendments which the last legislature voted to submit to the people. These amendments are to be sections of the constitution. The first one seeks to amend section 183 of the constitution in regard to counties and cities and towns taking stock in railroads and provides that no stock shall be issued until the proposed railroad is in operation, as set forth in the proposition voted on. The next amendment provides that the same legislature which submits an amendment to the constitution shall insert the same and that the action of the legislature shall be final and not subject to review by the courts. The third amendment provides that the special sessions of the legislature shall be abolished after 1904 and that the sessions every two years shall be a regular session privileged to consider any matters it pleases. The special sessions now can only consider such matters outside of the revenue and appropriation bills, which the governor calls to their attention and can only hold for thirty days unless the time is extended by the governor.

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In our troubles, but Hunt's cure for Itch, Tetter, Ringworm, Itching Piles and eczema. Guaranteed. Hall and Lyle.

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What is known as the "Blues" is seldom occasioned by actual existing external conditions, but in the great majority of cases by a disordered LIVER.

THIS IS A FACT which may be demonstrated by trying a course of

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HOW HE GOT A POWER FOR HIS BRIDE.

Some years ago, when the West was wilder and more woolly than it is to-day, a young man, since grown rich and now famous as a financier and capitalist, was a regular boarder at a hotel in a frontier town, says the Chicago Chronicle. He and a number of his friends were wont to resort every evening in the smoking room of the hotel, which they used as a sort of club, and their wants attended to by a fair waitress, who may be called Miss White. She was a nice, quiet girl, without any nonsense about her, and attended to the wants of her patrons with regularity and promptitude. One evening, after she had retired for the night, the landlord informed the company that this was the last time she would wait upon them, as she was going to be married next day. When the landlord had gone out, Jimmie Hughes, the young man referred to, got up and said he thought it only right that they should show their appreciation of her services by making her a little present on this auspicious occasion. He took a sheet of paper, wrote his name down for \$200, and passed it round. The girl was popular and the idea caught on, and when it came round again to generous Jimmie the total amounted to something over \$2,000. They summoned the landlord, handed over the amount to him, and asked him to give it to Miss White next morning with their hearty good wishes for happiness. Next day she was married, and the happy bridegroom was—Jimmie Hughes.

Great Britain is now running a weather bureau on American lines.

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CITATION.

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI, County of Chickasaw.

To all persons having or claiming any interest in the lands in the Swamp Land District, known as the Chiquatonchee Drainage System, situated in said county and state:

TAKE NOTICE that, whereas, a petition of the owners of one-third of the land in said district has been filed with the clerk of the Board of Supervisors of said county for the issuance and sale of \$40,000.00 of twenty year bonds bearing interest payable annually at 6 per cent per annum, \$2,000.00 of the principal and the interest payable annually, and for a levy of forty cents per acre on the land in said drainage district, collectable in the fiscal year beginning October 1st, 1902:

You are commanded to appear before the Board of Supervisors of said county on Aug. 7th, 1902, a day of the regular August Term of said Supervisors' Court, at Houston, Mississippi, and then and there to show cause, if any you can, why the said petition shall not be granted and said order entered and said bonds issued and sold according to law.

E. J. HALL, Chancery Clerk.

And Ex-Officio Clerk of the Board of Supervisors of Chickasaw County.

July 7th, 1902.

Days are the ticks of eternity.

Consistency is the most imitated of all jewels.

Disguised blessings are rarely prepossessing.

Basel has the only zoological garden in Switzerland.

England has just experienced the coldest May for sixty years.

Hard work is about the only sure remedy for a slender income.

A fellow naturally feels sheepish when he has the wool pulled over his eyes.

The photographer who doesn't wish to be a flat failure must flatter.

Texas Rates Are Lowered

Round trip tickets to points in Texas, Arkansas, Louisiana, Indian Territory and Oklahoma, will be sold by the Cotton Belt, on the first and third Tuesdays of each month, at about half of the usual rates. Three weeks return limit. Stop overs allowed on going trip.

Tell us where you want to go, and we will tell you the exact cost of a ticket and send you a complete schedule for your trip. If you are anxious to secure a better place to locate, we will also send you our handsome illustrated booklets "Homes in the Southwest," and "Through Texas With a Camera."

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LOW RATES TO TEXAS.

When an old person lives in the family he often complains, "They don't tell me anything."

The writer of this shock hands with a woman 70 years old this morning, and she jerked her hand away as though we were holding it too long.

When a man-loafer wants an excuse for laziness he says he is engaged in the study of political economy.

A Missouri man has been struck by lightning three times within a year. Here is a chance for some enterprising lightning rod agent to get in his work.